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The specification has been amended by the examiner's amendment to describe Fig. 12 in the Brief Description of the Drawings section.


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1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. James M. Smith on January 10, 2007.

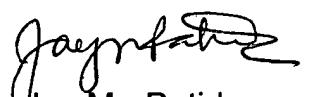
The application has been amended as follows:

In specification, page 4, In Brief Description of the Drawings section, line 25, add ---FIG. 12 is an illustration of a sensor probe and scan as the probe is inserted into and withdrawn from a channel.---

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jay M. Patidar whose telephone number is 571-272-2265. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Thur 8:00-6:30.

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